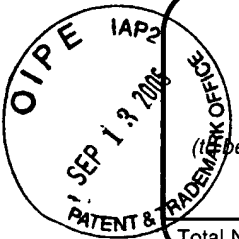


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Sir:

In response to the "Non-Final" Office Action mailed September 7, 2005, please amend the application as follows and consider the remarks set forth below.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

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